

13 JUN 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Classification Review Division

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FROM:

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Deputy Chief, Information Services Staff

SUBJECT: GAO Report entitled "Systematic Review for
Declassification of National Security Information --
Do Benefits Equal Cost?"

Don:

Please note the attached letter from the Director, ISOO regarding a meeting on 19 June to discuss the GAO report entitled "Systematic Review for Declassification of National Security Information -- Do Benefits Equal Cost?" We sent a copy of this report to you on 30 May for review and comment. Tom plans to attend the 19 June meeting and would appreciate receiving your comments in sufficient time for him to review them in advance of the meeting.

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Attachment



June 2, 1980

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Assistant for Information, DDA
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I will host my first meeting of the Interagency Information Security Committee at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 19, 1980, in Room 5141B, General Services Administration Building, Eighteenth and F Streets NW. In addition to getting to meet some of you for the first time and engaging in a brief dialogue concerning my goals as the new ISOO Director, there is a more specific purpose to the meeting. This concerns the draft GAO report entitled, "Systematic Review for Declassification of National Security Information -- Do Benefits Equal Cost?" I am enclosing a copy of the draft report for those of you who represent organizations which are not listed as GAO distributees. If you have not received a copy of the draft report, however, please contact ISOO by phone (633-6880) and a copy will be delivered as quickly as possible.

As presently planned, ISOO will coordinate an executive branch response to the draft report. This will include a cover letter which spells out our general policies on the subject matter of the report, plus attachments from the affected agencies addressing issues raised in the draft which pertain to them exclusively. As soon as possible before the meeting, I will send you a draft of a proposed cover letter for purposes of our discussion. I would appreciate it if you could similarly provide us with a copy of any draft responses you are preparing on your agency's behalf.

I look forward to a lively discussion and a productive meeting.

Sincerely,

STEVEN GARFINKEL
Director